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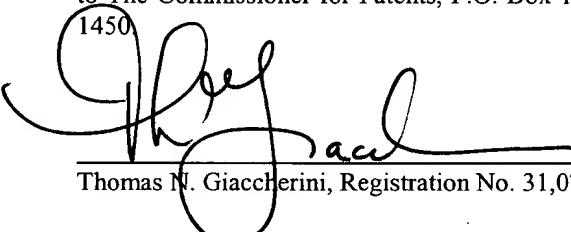
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### PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT FIRST AMENDMENT

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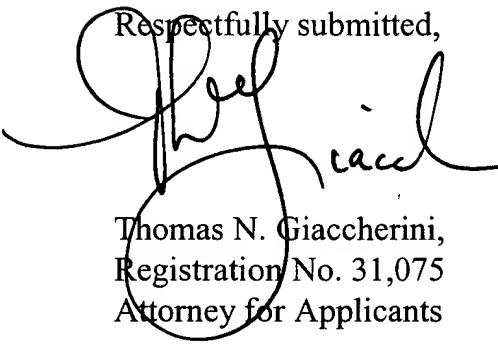
Sir:

The Applicants submit this Petition to enable their submission of a First Amendment in response to the First Office Action dated 2 October 2003. The First Office Action provided a shortened statutory period for response, which expired on 2 January 2004. This Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time which will extend the period for response until 2 April 2004.

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